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**VIA EFC**

Honorable Michael A. Shipp  
District Judge, United States District Court  
Clarkson S. Fisher Federal Building & U.S. Courthouse  
Room 7050  
402 E. State Street  
Trenton, NJ 08608

**Re: *Anton Paar Optotec GmbH v. Rudolph Research Analytical, Inc.***  
**Civ. Action No. 3:16-CV-03789-MAS-LHG**

Dear Judge Shipp:

We represent the Plaintiff Anton OptoTec GmbH ("Plaintiff" or "Anton Paar") in the above-referenced matter. We write with the consent of Defendant Rudolph Research Analytical, Inc. ("Rudolph") to respectfully request an additional three weeks to finalize the terms of the parties' Settlement Agreement. The parties have reached an agreement on material terms but there have been some unexpected delays in finalizing the language of the Settlement Agreement due to counsel for Rudolph's medical procedure and counsel for Anton Paar's leave of absence due to the birth of his child last week.

Counsel for Anton Paar expects to return from paternity leave on Wednesday May 17. Accordingly, we respectfully request that the matter be left open until May 29 while the parties finalize the Settlement Agreement. We are available to discuss this matter at Your Honor's convenience if there are any questions or concerns.

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Respectfully,

s/ James V. Noblett  
James V. Noblett

cc: Jeff Kaplan (Via ECF)